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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136, Applicant in the above-identified patent application requests a one-month extension of time in which the shortened statutory period of response expired December 19, 2000.

Enclosed is our check in the amount of \$110.00. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any discrepancy in the fee or to credit any overpayment to Account No. 19:3140. A duplicate copy of this request is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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